STRATTON RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL

ANNUAL REPORT

of the

MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

for the year 1970

Health Area Office,
Launceston,
Cornwall

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Medical Officer of Health

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To: The Chairman and Councillors of the
Rural District of Stratton.

Mr. Chairman, Mrs. Vedrenne and Gentlemen,

I have the honour to present the Annual Report of the Medical Officer of Health for the year 1970.

The vital statistics for the year show an increase of thirteen in the number of deaths - from 53 in 1969 to 66 - while there was a decrease of three in the number of births, from 61 to 58. This produced an adverse balance of deaths compared with births. The Registrar-General's estimate of the mid-year population was 4670, compared with 4710 for the previous year. Heart disease was head of the list of causes of death, followed by cancer and pneumonia in that order. Three infant deaths and one stillbirth were recorded during the year.

The incidence of notifiable infectious disease once again was low.

In the environmental circumstances of the district, the account is largely of consolidation in this field, but further progress in sewerage and sewage disposal was made with the beginning, during the year, of the new sewerage scheme for Marhamchurch, and the formulation of schemes of improvement affecting other areas of the Rural District.

I should like to express my thanks to Mr. Whitefield, the Council's Surveyor and Public Health Inspector, for his valuable co-operation in all aspects of our work, and in the preparation of this report, the bulk of the information in the environmental section having been provided by him. The continued help of the Clerk and the Council's other officers has been greatly appreciated.

The Council's continued encouragement and support are most gratefully acknowledged.

I have the honour to be,

Your obedient Servant,

WILLIAM PATERSON

Medical Officer of Health

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at 31st December, 1970

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SUMMARY OF VITAL STATISTICS

Area (in acres)	56,285
Population	4,670
No. of separate dwellings occupied	1,900
Rateable Value 31.12.70	£115,446
Product of 1d. rate 1970/1	£440

	Total	Male	Female	Rate per 1,000 estimated population
Live Births				
Legitimate	52	25	27	12.4
Illegitimate	6	5	1	-
Stillbirths	1	1	-	17 (Rate per 1,000 total births)
Deaths (All causes)	66	36	30	14.1
Deaths from Puerperal and post-abortive sepsis	N I L			
Other Puerperal causes	N I L			
Infant Mortality				
(Deaths under 1 year per 1,000 live births)	3	2	1	51.7

	Male	Female	Total
Deaths from Cancer (all ages)	4	7	11
Measles "		N I L	
Whooping Cough (all ages)		N I L	
Diarrhoea (under 2 years)		N I L	

Natural and Social Conditions

Area (in acres) 56,285. The Rural District of Stratton is mainly agricultural in character and the tourist industry in the coastal area forms an important part of the community life.

Population. The Registrar General has estimated the population for the mid-year to be 4,670. The "natural increase" in the population is the excess of births over deaths. In 1970 there were 58 deaths and 66 births, 8 fewer deaths than births.

Deaths. The total number of deaths assigned to the District for the year was 66. The crude death rate based on the mid-year population was 14.1. The following table for the past five years has been compiled for purposes of comparison :-

Year	Total	Male	Female	Recorded Rate
1966	58	34	24	12.159
1967	56	32	24	11.8
1968	63	31	32	13.4
1969	53	25	28	11.3
1970	66	36	30	14.1

In order to compare the mortality in the District with the mortality for England and Wales, it is necessary to make a correction to allow for the difference in age and sex distribution of the two populations. This is done by applying to the crude death rate of the District an "Area Comparability Factor" which has been estimated by the Registrar General as 0.89 for this District.

The Standardised Death Rate, therefore, is 12.5 which may be compared with that of 11.7 (provisional) for England and Wales.

Births. The number of live births assigned to this District was 58 compared with 61 in 1969. The rate per thousand of the population is 12.4. When the Registrar General's Area Comparability Factor for births (1.25) is applied to this figure, the Standardised Birth Rate is 15.5 for this District, compared with 16.0 (provisional) for England and Wales.

Stillbirths. There was one stillbirth during 1970.

Illegitimate Births. There were six illegitimate births in the District during the year.

Maternal Mortality. No maternal deaths were recorded during the year.

Infant Mortality. Three infant deaths were assigned to this District by the Registrar-General during 1970.

The particulars of these deaths ase as follows :-

1) M 2 days Respiratory distress syndrome

2) M 11 days Cerebral haemorrhage

3) F 6 weeks Acute respiratory infection

NOTE: Vital Statistics It is important that too much weight should not be attached to small variations in these rates from one year to another, particularly where relatively small populations are involved - attention should rather be paid to the trend of these rates over a period of years.

MORTALITY TABLE

Classified in accordance with 65 headings based on the Abbreviated List of the International Statistical Classification of Diseases, Injuries and Causes of Death, 1967.

Cause of Death	Male	Female	Total
Malignant neoplasm, oesophagus	-	1	1
Malignant neoplasm, stomach	2	-	2
Malignant neoplasm, intestine	1	1	2
Malignant neoplasm, lung, bronchus	1	1	2
Other malignant neoplasms	-	4	4
Meningitis	-	1	1
Hypertensive disease	1	-	1
Ischaemic heart disease	8	3	11
Other forms of heart disease	1	2	3
Cerebrovascular disease	3	4	7
Other diseases of circulatory system	7	4	11
Influenza	-	1	1
Pneumonia	6	3	9
Bronchitis and emphysema	1	1	2
Other diseases of respiratory system	-	1	1
Other diseases of digestive system	-	1	1
Nephritis and nephrosis	2	-	2
Other diseases, genito-urinary system	1	-	1
Abortion	-	1	1
Congemital anomalies	-	1	1
Birth injury, difficult labour, etc.	1	-	1
All other accidents	1	-	1
	36	30	66

GENERAL PROVISION OF HEALTH SERVICES

General medical services under Part IV of the National Health Service Act, 1946, are provided by medical practitioners resident in the district and in adjoining districts, all of whom undertake maternity medical services.

County Council Services.

I Health Department. The County Council is the local health authority for the purposes of Part III of the National Health Service Act, 1946, and provides the following services in the district :

(a) Midwifery and Home Nursing ; Nurse-midwives are provided to attend general nursing and midwifery cases in the home.

(b) Health Visiting : Health Visitors are available to give advice on health matters in the home or at the clinic. Originally concerned with the care of mothers and young children, which is still their basic function, they are increasingly concerned with other age groups, particularly the aged. Some health visitors combine this work with general nursing and midwifery. All act also as school nurses.

(c) Dental Clinic : Priority dental treatment for expectant and nursing mothers and pre-school children is available at the Dental Clinic at the Castle, Bude.

(d) Vaccination and Immunisation. Facilities for vaccination against smallpox and immunisation against diphtheria, whooping cough and tetanus, and for poliomyelitis vaccination are provided by the supply of materials to the family doctor, or at school, in the case of reinforcing doses.

Vaccination against measles is now provided for susceptible children up to the age of 15 years and a limited scheme of vaccination against German measles, for older girls of secondary school age, has been introduced.

(e) Ambulance Service : A service of ambulances for the conveyance of sick, accident and emergency cases is provided. For sitting cases, utilecon sitting case vehicles are used. When appropriate, some such cases are carried by the Hospital Car Service, a voluntary organisation. Day-to-day administration of the service is carried on from the Ambulance Control, Bodmin.

(f) Prevention of Illness, Care and After-Care : A full-time tuberculosis health visitor is provided for the care and after-care of tuberculous persons. District nurses are available to assist in the home treatment of such persons when required by the Chest Physician or family doctor. Routine tuberculin testing and, if necessary, B.C.G. vaccination (i.e. vaccination against tuberculosis) is provided for senior school children.

Certain special investigations are carried out in other types of illness by district health visitors, while health education is carried out by the County's Medical and Nursing staff.

II Education Department : As Local Education Authority, the County Council is responsible for the School Health Service, which provides the following :-

Periodic Medical Inspection of pupils
Cleanliness Surveys of pupils
Dental Inspection and treatment of pupils
Ascertainment of handicapped pupils in need of special education
Treatment clinic at the Castle, Bude :

Dental clinic - each Tuesday and Friday.

Child Guidance, by arrangement at Launceston Child Guidance Clinic.

III Social Services Department.

The Local Authority Social Services Act, 1970, which resulted from the recommendations of the Committee on Local Authority and Allied Personal Services (the Seebohm Report), presented to Parliament in 1968, came into full operation on 1st April,1971. This Act required the County Council to set up a Social Services Committee and appoint a Director of Social Services, who is now established at Old County Hall, Truro.

The new Department is responsible for the following :-

All duties formerly carried out by the Children's Department
All duties formerly carried out by the Mental Health and Welfare Section of the Health and Welfare Department.
Family casework with the physically and mentally disabled.
Day centres, clubs, adult training centres, workshops and residential accommodation for the above.
The day care of children under the age of five years, playgroups, etc. day nurseries and child minding.
The care of unsupported mothers, including residential care.
Home Help Service.

The new Department retains a link with the Health Department in that the County Medical Officer remains Medical Adviser to the County Council, including the Social Services Committee, and the Deputy County Medical Officer deals with day-to-day medical matters affecting the Social Services Department.

The Social Workers for the District work from the Health Area Office, Launceston. The Social Worker for Child Care works from Hendra, Dunheved Road, Launceston.

Hospital Service.

The South Western Regional Hospital Board is the hospital authority for the area. Stratton Cottage Hospital provides in-patient and out-patient facilities in the district. Patients are referred also to hospitals in Plymouth and elsewhere. Cases of infectious disease are admitted to the Scott Hospital, Plymouth, and tuberculosis patients to Didworthy Chest Hospital or Tehidy Hospital. Mental hospital accommodation is provided by St. Lawrence's Hospital and Laninval House, Bodmin and Moorfields Hospital, Ivybridge, Devon.

An Orthopaedic Clinic is held weekly at Stratton Hospital, Bude, and a Physiotherapy Clinic at Holsworthy Hospital. The Chest Clinic is held at Stratton Hospital. An Ophthalmic Clinic for school and pre-school children is held periodically at the Castle, Bude. A Specialist Ante-Natal clinic is held in Launceston each week.

Laboratory Facilities.

These are provided by the Public Health Laboratories at Plymouth and Exeter, to which specimens for bacteriological examination are sent.

SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES

WATER

The North Devon Water Board are the statutory water undertakers for the whole of the Stratton Rural District.

A borehole supply serving the Council Estate at Bangors, Poundstock also serves 14 private dwellings. This was provided by the Council and is still maintained by this Authority, although representations have been made to the North Devon Water Board to take it over.

The number of units of accommodation with full main supplies is 1374 which represents approximately 67% of the total number of units of accommodation in the Council's area.

Details of the number of individual dwellings supplied with main water in each Parish are set out hereunder :-

	Parish	Number of dwellings supplied	Source
North Devon Water Board	Jacobstow	70	Prewley Main supply
	Kilkhampton	272 (+ 6 standpipes)	Prewley Main supply
	Launcells	66	Prewley Main supply
	Marhamchurch	6	Prewley Main supply
		150	Tamar Lake
	Morwenstow	129	Prewley Main supply
	North Tamerton	61	Prewley Main supply
	Poundstock (Widemouth Bay)	209	Tamar Lake and Borehole
	St. Gennys	140	Prewley Main supply and Boreholes
	Week St. Mary	121	Prewley Main supply
	Whitstone	97	Prewley Main supply
Stratton R.D.C.	Poundstock (Bangors)	36	Boreholes
Private Supply	St. Gennys (Rosecare)	11	Borehole

Generally

Periodic samples from the public supplies have been submitted to the Public Health Laboratory by the North Devon Water Board, and these in general were satisfactory, as was the supply at Bangors, Poundstock.

The North Devon Water Board completed a scheme to provide a mains supply to the properties in Ivyleaf Hill, Kilkhampton during the year.

DRAINAGE AND SEWERAGE

A system of sewers serves most of the villages and some of the hamlets in the area, with the exception of Lower Crackington Haven and parts of Marhamchurch and Shop, Morwenstow. These are as follows :-

Woodford	Morwenstow
Woolley	"
Gooseham	"
Crosstown	"
The Village	Kilkhampton
Stibb	"
Bangors	Poundstock
Treskinnick Cross	"
Widemouth Bay	"
The Village	Week St. Mary
Victory Road	North Tamerton
Raggott Hill	"
Grimscott	Launcells
Southpark	Jacobstow
Wainhouse Corner	"
Brockhill Road	St. Gennys

The sewage disposal works at Helscott, Poundstock serving Widemouth Bay is modern, and was designed also to take the drainage from the village of Marhamchurch. Towards the end of the year a sewerage scheme to sewer the remainder of the village of Marhamchurch and to pump the sewage to Helscott was commenced and when completed will do away with the two small unsatisfactory disposal works in Marhamchurch itself.

A scheme to increase the capacity of the Kilkhampton Sewage Disposal Works to cater for the Holiday chalet Development at Tonstowe, and to provide much needed facilities such as water supply, access road and other items is planned to start in 1971. A further extension to the works will be required shortly to cope with further development in Kilkhampton.

A scheme is planned to provide a new sewage disposal unit at Shop, Morwenstow together with additional sewers.

Whilst there are sewage disposal works serving the villages listed, it is a fact that increasing difficulty is being experienced in complying with the River Authority's Consent Conditions on effluent.

This is attributable to a number of factors, but it has to be appreciated that the Council will shortly be faced with the complete reconstruction of a number of works and substantial improvements and extensions to the remainder, if satisfactory effluents are to be produced and if development is going to be able to continue in these areas.

CLOSET ACCOMMODATION

7 pail closets have been converted to water closets during the past year.

PUBLIC CLEANSING

Refuse collection is undertaken in all Parishes as set out hereunder :-

Parish	Frequency of Collection
Morwenstow	Fortnightly
Kilkhampton Village	Fortnightly from October to April Weekly from May to September
Stibb, Kilkhampton and outskirts of Parish	Fortnightly
Launcells	Fortnightly
Marhamchurch	Fortnightly from October to April Weekly from May to September
Week St. Mary	Fortnightly
North Tamerton	Fortnightly
Whitstone	Fortnightly
Jacobstow	Fortnightly
St. Gennys	Fortnightly
Crackington Haven, St. Gennys	Fortnightly from October to April Weekly from May to September
Widemouth Bay, Poundstock	Weekly
Poundstock	Fortnightly from October to April Weekly from May to September

The refuse tip at Kilkhampton was closed during the year when it became apparent that there was no spare capacity, as was the small one at Morwenstow. Refuse disposal was then concentrated at Poundstock tip from the whole of the area. Certain works have been carried out at this tip but it cannot be said to operate satisfactorily.

PUBLIC CONVENIENCES

Public Conveniences are provided by the Council at Widemouth Bay, Kilkhampton, Crackington Haven, Marhamchurch and Week St. Mary.

A scheme to enlarge the Public Conveniences at Widemouth Bay is in preparation.

SHOPS

The small village shops in this District are reasonably satisfactory.

CAMPING SITES

There are 17 licensed camping sites, and with the exception of a very few isolated caravans, they are, under the terms of the Licence, restricted to seasonal use only.

In general these sites are well maintained.

CHALET DEVELOPMENT

165 holiday chalets have now been erected out of the 207 chalets for which approval has been given.

HOUSING STATISTICS

206 houses are now owned by the Council.

Number of new dwellings erected during 1970

Private	20
Council	2
Holiday chalets	8

SLUM CLEARANCE

Statutory action to secure the closure of one dwelling has been taken during the year bringing the total number so dealt with since 1955 up to 92.

98 dwellings have been improved or provided by way of conversion with the aid of Discretionary Grants since the introduction of the Housing Act, 1949.

Since June 1959, 225 applications for Standard Grants have been approved and work completed on 194.

SMOKE ABATEMENT

No action necessary.

SWIMMING BATHS AND POOLS

A small swimming pool is provided at Morwenstow School, and at Penstowe Park Holiday Village, Kilkhampton.

ERADICATION OF BED BUGS

No action has been necessary.

SCHOOLS

The schools and canteens are reasonably well maintained and are in all cases provided with water-borne sanitation.

COMMON LODGING HOUSES

There are no common lodging houses in the area.

INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD

Milk Supply The supervision of milk production and distribution in this area is the primary responsibility of the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food and the Cornwall County Council.

Brucella Abortus By an arrangement with the County Medical Officer, samples of raw milk from producer-retailers in the area are taken by the County Public Health Inspector, and submitted to the Public Health Laboratory, Truro, for examination. Bulk samples are first subjected to the Milk Ring Test, and, if positive, samples from the individual cows in the herd are submitted for culture for brucella abortus.

The results given below refer only to individual samples submitted for culture.

(i)	Number of samples of raw milk examined	178
(ii)	Number of positive samples found	2
(iii)	Action taken in respect of positive samples	

One sample came from the herd of the producer-retailer who was already the subject of a notice under Regulation 20 of the Milk and Dairies (General) Regulations 1959, imposed in the previous year. Subsequent routine sampling, after the removal of the affected cow, on two successive occasions produced no positive samples, enabling the notice to be removed. Routine sampling after this continued to be satisfactory.

The other sample came from a herd not previously affected. A notice under Regulation 20 of the Milk and Dairies (General) Regulations, 1959, prohibiting the sale of the raw milk to the public, was imposed. This producer-retailer subsequently terminated his licence, and withdrew from the retail field.

Brucellosis (Accredited Herds) Scheme.

The herds of three producer-retailers in the District are registered as accredited under this Scheme. In these cases, routine sampling is undertaken by the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food.

Meat and other Foods — There are no slaughterhouses in operation in this area.

Bakehouses. — There are no bakehouses in operation in this area.

Adulteration, etc. — No action required.

Chemical and Bacteriological Examination of Food — No action required.

Nutrition — No action required.

Shellfish — No beds in the District.

Premises registered under Section 16 of the Food and Drugs Act, 1955 :-

Preparation or manufacture of sausages	3
Manufacture or sale of ice-cream	21
Dairies registered under the Milk and Dairies Regulations, 1949	Nil
Number of inspections of registered food premises	3

Educational Activity

Periodic inspections of food premises are made by the Medical Officer of Health and Public Health Inspector, and advice given when necessary.

Food Hygiene (General) Regulations,1960.

No. of food premises		No. fitted to comply with Regulation 16	No. to which Regulation 19 applies	No. fitted to comply with Regulation 19
Butchers	4	4	4	4
Grocers	20	15	17	15
Greengrocers	1	1	1	1
Bakers' shops	2	1	2	2
Cafes and catering establishments	22	16	18	18
Licensed premises	11	11	11	11
Milk distributors	5	4	4	4
Honey processing	1	-	1	1

Condemned Food

Any condemned food stuffs are disposed of by burial or burning. No special examination of a stock or consignment of food has been necessary.

Ice-cream (Heat Treatment) Regulations. 1947-1952

With regard to Ice Cream (Heat Treatment, etc.) Regulations, 1947-1952, no ice cream is actually manufactured in this area. In general this is purchased by the retailers from the firms who operate on a national scale outside the District.

Factories Act 1961

Classified List of Registered Factories as at 31st December, 1970

Nature of employment	Power	No n-power
1. Carpentry, Joinery and Sawmills	1	1
2. Garages, Repair shops and Engineers	9	4
3. Plumbers	-	1
4. Food manufacturers	-	1
5. Wearing apparel - (a)outfitting	-	-

Prescribed Particulars on the Administration of the Factories Act, 1961, are attached as an appendix to this report in accordance with circular 1/70 of the Department of Health and Social Securial

PREVALENCE OF, AND CONTROL OVER, INFECTIOUS AND OTHER DISEASES.

The infectious diseases which are statutorily notifiableto the Medical Officer of Health are the following :- Cholera, plague, relapsing fever, typhus, smallpox, acute encephalitis, acute meningitis, acute poliomyelitis, anthrax, amoebic dysentery, bacillary dysentery, diphtheria, infective jaundice, leprosy, leptospirosis, malaria, measles, ophthalmia neonatorum, paratyphoid fever, typhoid fever, scarlet fever, tetanus, tuberculosis, whooping cough, yellow fever and food poisoning.

The monthly incidence of infectious disease is shown in Table III.

Smallpox. No case was notified during the year, in the course of which 239 vaccinations and 25 re-vaccinations were carried out in the whole of the County Council's Health Area No. 6.

Diphtheria. No case of diphtheria was notified during the year. 213 children in the Health Area received a complete course of immunisation during the year, the triple antigen against diphtheria, whooping cough and tetanus being used in all cases. 321 children received reinforcing injections, the diphtheria-tetanus vaccine being used in these cases.

Whooping Cough. One case was notified during the year.

Poliomyelitis. No case ofthis infection was notified during the year, in the course of which 234 persons in the Health Area received a complete course of oral vaccination, and a further 321 a reinforcing dose.

Measles. Eleven cases of this infection were notified during the year. Five of these occurred in July, all of whom were holiday visitors who had clearly acquired the disease at home, and developed the rash and symptoms after arrival on holiday.

Vaccination against this disease was continued during theyear, 373 children between the ages of four and eleven years being vaccinated, in the whole of the Health Area.

Scarlet Fever. One case was notified in January. The infection was mild, and hospital treatment unnecessary.

Acute Meningitis. No case of this infection was notified during theyear, but one death from this cause was recorded. The infection in this case was caused by the germ known as the pneumococcus, which commonly causes a type of pneumonia. The patient, an adult, died in hospital outside of this District, and the infection does not appear to have been acquired in the District.

Food Poisoning. No cases of food poisoning were notified during the year.

Tuberculosis

	Males		Females	
	Pul.	Non-Pul.	Pul.	Non-Pul.
Cases on Register 31.12.69.	2	2	1	2
No. of cases notified during the year	-	-	-	-
Cases restored	-	-	-	-
Inward Transfers	-	-	-	-
Cases Removed	-	-	-	-
Total on Register 31.12.70	2	2	1	2

B.C.G. Vaccination continues to be offered to all susceptible contacts of known cases, most of whom avail themselves of this Protection.

The scheme for B.C.G. Vaccination of susceptible school children was continued by the County Council during the year, again with a good response.

OTHER DISEASES

Cancer of the Lung. Two deaths from this cause were recorded during the year, one male and one female. The total of lung cancer deaths since 1949 now number 30 male and six female deaths. The deaths from all forms of cancer during the same period are now 108 male and 113 female deaths.

Cancer of the Cervix. The County Council's Cervical Cytology Clinic at Launceston continued to operate during the year.

Women between the ages of 30 and 55 years are accepted for this form of examination. The clinic at Launceston serves the whole of the Health Area, and beyond. During the year, 460 specimens were submitted to the laboratory. No cases of the pre-cancerous stage of the disease, nor of established cancer of the cervix, were discovered, but a number of minor conditions were identified. As a copy of the laboratory report is sent to the patient's general practitioner, he is made aware of these findings, and can arrange treatment if required.

The Cervical Cytology Clinic at Stratton Hospital continued to operate during the year. This is independent of the County Council's arrangements, and the figures above refer only to the County Council's clinic.

TABLE I

TUBERCULOSIS

Age and Sex Distribution of Cases and Deaths - 1970.

Age Groups	New Cases				Deaths			
	Pul.		Non-Pul.		Pul.		Non-Pul.	
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
0 -	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
1 -	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5 -	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
15 -	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
20 -	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
25 -	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
35 -	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
45 -	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
55 -	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
65 -	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Age unknown	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

TABLE II

VITAL STATISTICS

SUMMARY FOR PREVIOUS YEARS

YEAR	POPULATION (Estimated)	BIRTHS		DEATHS			
		Number	Crude Rate	Under 1 year		All ages	
				Number	Rate	Number	Rate
1966	4,770	64	13.417	-	-	58	12.159
1967	4,730	62	13.1	-	-	56	11.80
1968	4,710	50	10.8	1	20.0	63	13.4
1969	4,710	61	13	2	33	53	11.3
1970	4,670	58	12.4	3	51.7	66	14.1

TABLE III

Monthly Incidence of Notifiable Diseases (other than Tuberculosis)

	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apl.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Total
Measles	-	-	-	2	1	2	5	-	-	-	-	1	11
Whooping Cough	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1
Scarlet Fever	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
	1	-	-	2	1	2	5	1	-	-	-	1	13

TABLE IV

Sanitary Inspection of the Area.

Total number of inspections made for all purposes	1,797
New private water supplies provided	5
Number of samples of water analysed	20
Satisfactory 6 Unsatisfactory 14	
Existing water supplies improved	1
Number of houses connected during the year to :-	
Council's mains	Nil
North Devon Water Board's mains	49
Pail or Privy closets converted to water closets	7
New drains laid to existing premises	14
Existing drains repaired	Nil
Complaints received	12
Nuisances abated	3
Number of ihspections of sewerage and sewage disposal works	96
Camping sites and chalet sites	76
Offensive trades	Nil

APPENDIX

FACTORIES ACT, 1961

Prescribed Particulars on the Administration of the Factories Act, 1961.

Part 1 of the Act

1 - INSPECTIONS for purposes of provision as to health

Premises	Number on Register	Number of		
		Inspections	Written Notices	Occupiers prosecuted
(i) Factories in which Sections 1,2,3,4 and 6 are to be enforced by Local Authorities	17	Nil		
(ii) Factories not included in (i) in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority				
(iii) Other Premises in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority (excluding out-workers' premises)				
Total	17	Nil		

2 - Cases in which DEFECTS were found

Particulars	Number of cases in which defects were found				Number of cases in which prosecutions were instituted
	Found	Remedied	Referred To H.M. Inspector	Referred By H.M. Inspector	
Want of cleanliness (S.1)					
Overcrowding (S.2)					
Unreasonable temperature (S.3)					
Inadequate ventilation (S.4)					
Ineffective drainage of floors (S.6)					
Sanitary Conveniences (S.7) (a) Insufficient					
(b) Unsuitable or defective					
(c) Not separate for sexes					
Other offences against the Act (not including offences relating to out-work)					
Total					

NIL

Part VIII of the Act

Outwork

(Sections 133 and 134)

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